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Preliminary Amendment Prior to Claims Fee Calculation

Sir:

In order to avoid excess claims fees otherwise due and to placing the English translation of his instant international application into a condition believed to satisfy U.S. patent prosecution standards in formal respects, Applicant courteously requests entry of the following amendment:

In the Specification:

Page 1, line 7: cancel "Specification" and substitute –BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION– therefor;

line 8: insert –1. Field of the Invention.–;

line 29: insert -2. The Prior Art.-;

page 4, line 29: insert -OBJECT OF THE INVENTION .-;

page 5, line 12: insert -SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION .-;

page 10, line 3: cancel and substitute therefor -- DESCRIPTION OF THE SEVERAL DRAWINGS.--;

line 4: cancel and substitute therefor -- The novel features which are considered to be characteristic of the intention are set forth with particularity